FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States Department of Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: February 6, 2003

USDA BUYS: FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN; ENDS PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 1,160,000 pounds of frozen cooked diced chicken at a cost of approximately \$2,003,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Award Prices	No. of Bids
	Accepted	Inv. No. 14	Accepted
diced chicken	1,160,000	\$1.6650-\$1.7650	3 of 3

It was also announced that the purchase program for frozen cooked diced chicken is complete.

Total purchases of frozen cooked diced chicken since the program was announced June 20, 2002, follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
diced chicken	8,560,000	\$15,186,000
diced chicken** **Produced from light for	4,840,000 wl**	\$ 8,668,000

Produced from light fowl

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

The awards for frozen cooked diced chicken made today under Announcement PY-264, Invitation 14, to be delivered from March 16 to March 31, follow:

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY264
COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN
INVITATION : 014

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 40 LB CTN

CONTRACTOR NAME: SOUTHERN HENS, INC. PLANT ADDRESS : MOSELLE

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PR	ICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
001	PORT NEWARK	NJ	80,000	\$	1.7000
004	WINTER HAVEN	${ t FL}$	40,000	\$	1.6900
800	JACKSON	MS	40,000	\$	1.6650
009	HARAHAN	LA	40,000	\$	1.6650
012	AUSTIN	TX	80,000	\$	1.6850
015	GRAND PRAIRIE	TX	92,400	\$	1.6750
	HOUSTON	TX	27,600	\$	1.6750
017	COUNCIL BLUFFS	IA	40,000	\$	1.6850

TOTAL AWARDED: 440,000

CONTRACTOR NAME: TONY DOWNS FOODS CO. PLANT ADDRESS : MADELIA MN

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER		
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
003	VINELAND	NJ	40,000	\$	1.7500 *	
006	LEXINGTON	KY	10,000	\$	1.7400	
	LOUISVILLE	KY	30,000	\$	1.7400	
007	BATESVILLE	MS	20,000	\$	1.7500 *	
	JACKSON	MS	20,000	\$	1.7500 *	
011	MCALESTER	OK	40,000	\$	1.7400	
013	DALLAS	TX	40,000	\$	1.7550 *	
014	FORT WORTH	TX	80,000	\$	1.7550 *	
016	HOUSTON	TX	160,000	\$	1.7500 *	
018	CONCORDIA	KS	40,000	\$	1.7400	

480,000 TOTAL AWARDED:

*NOTE--PRODUCT MUST BE PRODUCED FROM LIGHT FOWL (4.5 POUNDS OR LESS) MEAT.

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ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER		
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
005	TAMPA	${ t FL}$	20,000	\$	1.7650 *	
	WINTER HAVEN	${ t FL}$	100,000	\$	1.7650 *	
010	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	80,000	\$	1.7650 *	

PLANT ADDRESS : TALMO GA

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NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
002	PORT NEWARK	NJ	20,000	\$	1.7650	*
	VINELAND	NJ	20,000	\$	1.7650	*

TOTAL AWARDED: 240,000

*NOTE--PRODUCT MUST BE PRODUCED FROM LIGHT FOWL (4.5 POUNDS OR LESS) MEAT.

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